

MURAT HALSTEAD

Tells Why the Democratic Situation is Not so Encouraging.

REPUBLICANS HAVE CONFIDENCE,

And With Reason—The Condition of Affairs in New York State is Largely in Favor of the Republicans—"The Democratic Headquarters Opened With a Three Hours' Luncheon and All the Confidence Came with Cold Champagne."

Murat Halstead in New York Herald.

The opposition to the Democracy in Alabama shows stronger than was first reported, carrying a majority of the white counties and the legislature, while the Democrats save themselves in the black counties, with the election machinery in their hands, usually used to prevent negro voting.

This encourages the Omaha party, but will hardly disturb the solid southern vote for Cleveland. It promises, though, a stormy future for southern Democracy. The strength of the Alliance in the south animates the third party in the northwest, where they are aided by Democrats who hope to help them to states, otherwise surely Republican, and throw the election into the house. There Cleveland's success is assumed to be certain, though White-law Reid would be elected Vice President by the senate. Republicans are not without concern about the effect of the Alabama election, but are not alarmed.

Claiming national success on either side, without New York state, is "rain-bow politics," but Harrison has a larger chance outside, as it is conceded he may carry Indiana again, and the Confederate tariff issue may give him New Jersey and Connecticut, while the Democratic gold bug plunk yields to him the six new states.

In New York it happens the most prominent managers of both parties were disappointed in the presidential nominations. The whole Democratic delegation signed and published at Chicago a proclamation that Cleveland's nomination would expose the party to the loss of the electoral ticket in New York. That this was confined to the presidential vote made it peculiarly a personal menace. No declaration of such gravity has been made by the Republicans opposing President Harrison. The assertion that both parties are alike disturbed by the New York disaffection is not sustained by facts.

Tammany's regular army exhibits its discipline in a showy support of Cleveland. This is upon the apparent condition that mugwumps are silenced and the regulars be not subjected to criticism, supervision, division of authority or suspicion.

Cleveland's friends before the nomination are unheard and invisible, and Sheehan, his sharpest opponent, heads the campaign committee. Cleveland, therefore, is completely, hopelessly in the hands of the enemies he was loved for making, and his danger is rather in the state than in the city. Senator Hill's silence is sinister. He has not made loyal submission. It is believed that it is impossible for Cleveland to carry New York without Hill's utmost exertion, and he had that when he failed four years ago. The unretreated testimony of Tammany at Chicago was that with Cleveland as a candidate this state was certainly lost again.

The Democratic answer to all this is, Platt is not an earnest supporter of the President. Platt's remarkable political information and skill are valuable, but not indispensable. He has not been in the habit, as Hill has, of carrying New York, and has raised up against himself Republicans who want only to know his methods to oppose them. They would fight harder for the President were Platt hostile. The charge against him is that his coolness toward the President is merely personal. He is a business man, accustomed to large affairs, and running a small faction would not suit him. The danger of his dissatisfaction is magnified and the temperature of his antagonism exaggerated.

Republicans in New York do not confront an internal faction as formidable as that ranking deep seated Democracy. Republican belief in state and national victory increases. The Democrats were unwise in taking their vice presidential candidate from Illinois instead of Indiana. They had an Indiana, not an Illinois, chance. Now Indiana may be counted for Harrison, and the eighty-three Democratic votes in the house against helping the World's Fair fixes Illinois for the Republicans.

The Democratic campaign was opened at national headquarters with a three hours' luncheon, and all the confidence came from cold champagne.

Four Yellow Fever Cases.

New York, Aug. 11.—A Times Jacksonville, Fla., special says: Four cases of yellow fever have developed on board the four masted American schooner Eya Douglas, which arrived at the Mallet Key quarantine station on the 3d inst. from Havana, on her way to Port Tampa to unload with phosphates. The schooner was thoroughly fumigated and then placed in quarantine for five days. Mr. Henderson, of president of the state board of health, sent two experienced yellow fever nurses and a supply of medicines, ice, etc., down to the schooner in the afternoon on the quarantine launch Misso. There is no occasion whatever for alarm over the situation. In fact, there is no more danger of dreaded scourge being transported to the main land from Cuba. The schooner's crew numbers nine men all told, and as they are all northern men it is probable that they all will have the fever.

Explanations in Order.

New York, August 11.—The Herald's Trinidad dispatch says: The government of President Velazquez is in trouble with France now. News has been received here that the French vice consul at Carupano, Venezuela, has been seized by the Venezuelan authorities, for what reason is not stated. A French warship was at once ordered to proceed to Carupano and demand the immediate release of the imprisoned official. There is considerable excitement here over this complication. It is thought, however, that the Venezuelan authorities will release the imprisoned consul and make whatever reasonable reparation which may be demanded. A schooner laden with 1,000 rifles consigned to Colon, was seized here yesterday, the government believing that they were destined for use of the Legation in Venezuela. They were released today, no evidence being produced to warrant the seizure. A claim for damages will be filed against the government.

"I would like to sound the praise of Hood's Sarsaparilla over the entire universe," writes Mrs. Longenecker, of Union Deposit, Pa.

CLEVELAND'S SYMPATHY

For a Nice of Murderer King Moves Him to Write a Letter which will Sit Up a Nuss in Tennessee.

NASHVILLE, TENN., August 11.—Among the documents filed with Gov. Buchanan in reference to the King case is the following:

GRAY GABLES, BUZZARD'S BAY, MASS., July 11.—Mrs. E. K. White, Dear Madam:—I sympathize with you deeply and sincerely in the conviction of your uncle. I know but little of the facts in his case, but confess that my slight information on the subject led me to suppose that enough of mitigation would be shown upon his trial to reduce the grade of offense below that of the highest known to our law. I have been so moved by your appeal that I have seriously considered whether there was not something I might do to help you.

I am forced to the conclusion, however, that I ought not to interfere by applying to the governor for the mitigation of the sentence pronounced upon your uncle. Such an application on my part would be based only upon the sympathy which I feel for you, and my experience teaches me that such a consideration ought not to control executive action in cases of this kind. Notwithstanding this, I feel that there are circumstances in your uncle's case which ought to appeal strongly to the pardoning power, and I earnestly hope that such representation may be made to your governor as will avert the execution of the death sentence, which has been pronounced.

Very truly yours,
GROVER CLEVELAND.

Mrs. White is a niece of Colonel Clay.

THE GOVERNOR'S REASONS

For the Commutation of the Sentence of Col. H. Clay King.

NASHVILLE, TENN., August 11.—Gov. Buchanan will you give me your reasons for the commutation of the sentence of Col. H. Clay King?" asked an Associated Press reporter of the chief executive this morning. "With pleasure," said the governor, "and I will do it briefly. First, I thought that King should have affidavits to the effect that King Smith had communicated with outside parties, and expressed an opinion about the case were filed with me. These affidavits could not be introduced in the court of record because it was too late. The action of Juror Mustin and of the jury in going to Arkansas to deliberate upon the case had their weight, too. The dissection of one of the supreme judges in the defense of partial insanity. The pleadings of his wife and children and the most prominent men of the country, besides the hundreds of letters and petitions, those were my reasons for commuting the sentence.

"I am responsible for my action," said the governor, "I thought I was doing right and I acted according to my belief." He then handed the reporter a petition signed by twenty-six United States Senators and Congressmen.

King in the Pen.

NASHVILLE, TENN., August 11.—H. Clay King, the Memphis murderer, arrived in this city at an early hour this morning and was at once conveyed to the state prison by Sheriff McLendon. The sheriff brought the prisoner via Nortonville, Ky. Their journey was a quiet one.

ELECTION TROUBLES.

The Democratic Factions at War in Alabama on Account of Alleged Frauds.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., August 11.—Rockford, the county seat of Coosa county, is in a panic. The county went for Kolb at the recent election and the Kolb men assert they caught the probate judge and sheriff tampering with the boxes after they had been returned to the court house, by which their majority was reduced. Yesterday 150 armed Kolb men marched in town and declared their intention of killing the probate judge, the sheriff and circuit clerk, who constituted the returning board, and declared vengeance on all Jones men. The sheriff summoned a posse and a riot was prevented. The mob declared their purpose of returning Monday next prepared to execute their will. The inhabitants are in a panic-stricken condition.

THE BAND EXEMPT.

The Canadian Musicians Can Now Play at the Buffalo Exposition.

HAMILTON, ONT., August 11.—The celebrated Eleventh battalion band, of this city, were some time ago engaged to play at the Buffalo exposition next week. But last week word was received that the engagement had been cancelled, as the United States officials had threatened the Thirteenth band with arrest under the alien labor law if they went there. To-day word was received that the collector of customs at Buffalo had decided that the members of the band were skilled musicians, and as such were not liable to the law in question, and the band will go direct to Buffalo from Denver, Col., where they are now playing for the big conclave of Masonic knights.

What Diplomacy Can Do.

CINCINNATI, OHIO, August 11.—Six months ago Mr. Preston Mitchell, formerly of this city, was shot dead at Tama, Mexico, by an assassin. He was at that time a master mechanic on the Mexican Central railway. His widow tried to have his body returned. The Mexican authorities refused to return it till five years after the murder had elapsed. She applied to the state department at Washington and through the agency of that department and the payment of about \$400 to secure the body from its custodians in Mexico. She succeeded. The body arrived here to-day.

Consul Ryder's Case.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 11.—The Danish minister has notified the state department that he has been informed by his government of the confession of Consul Ryder. The department has telegraphed Minister Carr at his home in Illinois to proceed to Denmark. Nothing will be done by the department in the matter until the case is settled by the Danish judicial authorities.

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

LOOKING BACKWARD.

Memories of the old fashioned Camp-meetings at the Moundville Grounds.

Apropos of the campmeeting at the "old Moundville camp ground" I wish to recall the days when there really was a campmeeting there. I can, at this late day, remember my first visit to the grounds, for the reason that youthful impressions are always the strongest. It was a day in August in the sixties, but I will not specify the unit figure. The grounds at that time were a tented field, rain soaked and sun baked, but filled with Godly people. It was, in verity, to borrow the rhythmist's phrase, "Tenting to-night, tenting to-night Tenting on the old camp ground."

I was led to the place by a pure and saintly woman, who, next to my mother, occupies the warmest place in my unsanctified heart. In those days, the means of travel were primitive, and the accommodations on the grounds—well, there were none at all. It took not only nerve but religion to go to camp in those days. It was then the faith of Whittier who so sweetly sings: I know not where His islands lift Their fringed palms in air, Only know that I am safe Within His love and care.

How sweet "Old Hundred" sounded through the aisles of the grove at that time without the aid of the organ. "Arise, my Soul Arise," and "Jesus, Lover of my Soul," with those beautiful lines, Other refuge have I none, Hangs my helpless soul on Thee, made the leaves whisper the harmony and the boughs of the trees bend in humility, and then uplifting themselves spread a benediction over the serious throng beneath.

Then preachers preached for the glory of God and the salvation of souls; then the effort was to reclaim a sinner in the good old fashioned way. Salvation in those days was without money and without price; here you could "bring your wounded heart" and tell of its anguish and be told in joyful song and tune that "earth hath no sorrows that heaven cannot heal." Amen! to those good old fashioned days, and amen! again to the people who lived then and are no more but in the enjoyment of their reward.

I am not of those who wail "Unsanctified" here and there, But my heart must still be fonder Of my state of joy and care.

And that is why I wish to remark finally, that, although other methods are employed now you cannot erase from my mind the memories of other days. The days in this age may be called better days, but I fail to see where they are so devout, self-sacrificing and so fruitful of results. There is, to my mind, too much of the "fakir" in religion to-day. Too many are called and not enough are chosen. However, if one soul is saved there will be rejoicing in heaven and the ninety-nine just persons will still be sure of a crown.

A. SINNER.

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